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Early dawn in Owens Valley on 01/03/15

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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - National

Tens of thousands of police expected for funeral of slain N.Y. officer

(Reuters) – Ten of thousands of police officers are expected today, along with politicians and other mourners, at the funeral of New York City policeman Wenjian Liu who was killed last month in an ambush that deepened a rift between Mayor Bill de Blasio and the force. Mayor de Blasio is expected to speak at Liu's funeral, and Police Commissioner Bill Bratton told officers ahead of Saturday's wake to refrain from the "act of disrespect" seen at Ramos's funeral a week ago, when thousands of officers turned their backs on the mayor.

Patient possibly exposed to Ebola due at Nebraska hospital for observation

(Reuters) – Per hospital officials, a U.S. health care worker who was possibly exposed to the Ebola virus in Sierra Leone is expected to arrive for observation today at the Biocontainment Unit of the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska. The same team that cared for three previous Ebola patients at the facility, two of whom were successfully treated, would be working on the case. The center will monitor for development of infection over the 21-day incubation period using observation and blood tests.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - International

U.S. Troops, Back in Iraq, Train a Force to Fight ISIS

(New York Times) – The United States has begun training a first wave of Iraqi Army recruits in an effort to gather enough forces to mount a spring offensive against the extremists of the Islamic State. Military officials here say the first of the American-trained recruits will be ready to join the fight against the Islamic State by mid-February. Pushing forward, officials say the goal is to train 5,000 new recruits every six weeks.

Pakistan strikes kill 31 militants, drone kills 7

(AP) – Pakistani airstrikes late Saturday killed 31 militants and a suspected U.S. drone strike killed another seven early Sunday as local troops pressed a six-month offensive in tribal regions along the Afghan border that have long been insurgent havens. Two Pakistani intelligence officials said U.S. drone-fired missiles struck a militant compound in the Datta Khel area of North Waziristan early Sunday, killing seven militants and wounding four. The covert U.S. drone program has eliminated several top militants but has also resulted in civilian casualties, making it extremely unpopular among Pakistanis, who condemn it as violation of their country's sovereignty.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Magnitude 4.2 Earthquake 7 Miles NNW of Castaic Dam, Los Angeles County

On 01/03/18 at 1918 hours, a magnitude 4.2 earthquake occurred 7 miles NNW of Castaic Lake Dam. Per Cal OES Earthquake and Tsunami Program Duty Officer (EQTP DO), the earthquake, originally reported as a M4.5, was verified as a M4.2 after evaluation by USGS and California Integrated Seismic Network (CISN) seismologists. Light shaking intensity was indicated north to Tehachapi, east to Lancaster, South to Los Angeles City and west to Oxnard. This earthquake follows a M.3.0 earthquake earlier on 01/03/15 and a M3.1 that occurred on New Year's day in the same area. USGS and CISN seismologists are evaluating this sequence and expect aftershocks to continue in the area for the near term.

- Per Los Angeles County Warning Point, no reports of injuries or damage but they did receive calls of people feeling the quake.
- National Tsunami Warning Center issued a Tsunami Seismic Information Statement advising no tsunami danger for California.
- Warning Center briefed all California Coastal County Warning Points.
- The Cal OES EQTP DO remains in contact with the USGS and CISN duty officers and will provide updates as new information becomes available.
- Per Cal OES Southern Duty Officer (SDO), no reports of injuries or damage in Castaic or Northern Los Angeles County. SDO requested a status check via LA OEM, for the City of LA Department of Water and Power owned Castaic Dam. LA OEM actively monitoring the situation and will brief the SDO when more information is available.

Weather of Concern

No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Regional Cold Weather Activities

Cal OES Coastal Region

• San Mateo, Monterey, and Napa Counties have warming centers at various locations.

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

A weak weather system is moving across Northwest California this morning providing cloud cover and a chance of light rain to the coastal areas. High pressure will bring dry weather and mostly clear skies through much of the work week.

Medford Weather:

Today rain is not expected to make much progress inland as forcing with the front is minimal. After a short-lived breeze in some valleys this afternoon, the offshore ridge will strengthen and build in tonight and Monday. This will lead to continued air stagnation in the valleys through at least Thursday morning. Mild conditions over the mountains this week as warm air aloft builds in, but the valleys will remain under the inversions and are unlikely to participate in the warmth.

Reno Weather:

High pressure will prevail through much of the upcoming week with dry conditions and above normal temperatures. Light winds and inversions will produce downgraded air quality at times in urban valleys this week.

San Francisco Weather:

High pressure building over California will produce dry and mild weather through midweek. Daytime temperatures will warm above normal by Monday and then several degrees above normal by Tuesday, especially across the southern portion of the region. Cool conditions are expected in the valleys during the next few nights but temperatures will remain above freezing in most areas. Patchy night and morning fog is likely in the North and East Bay Valleys. A weak weather system may bring rain to the northern portion of the region by late Thursday.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

The forecast area will have dry weather with a modest warming trend over the next several days. A chance of precipitation is expected on Thursday and Friday.

Hanford Weather:

Dry weather can be expected across the Central California interior for the next several days as a ridge of high pressure slowly builds into the state. A day to day warming trend will bring temperatures well above seasonal normal by the middle of next week. In the San Joaquin Valley, a frosty start to Sunday will be followed by patchy late night and morning fog Monday through Wednesday as the air mass stagnates.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

High pressure will continue to build in across the forecast area through midweek. Temperatures will return to normal today and continue to warm a few degrees through midweek. A weak upper low is expected to approach by Thursday bringing a cooling trend and cloudy conditions at times late this week.

Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

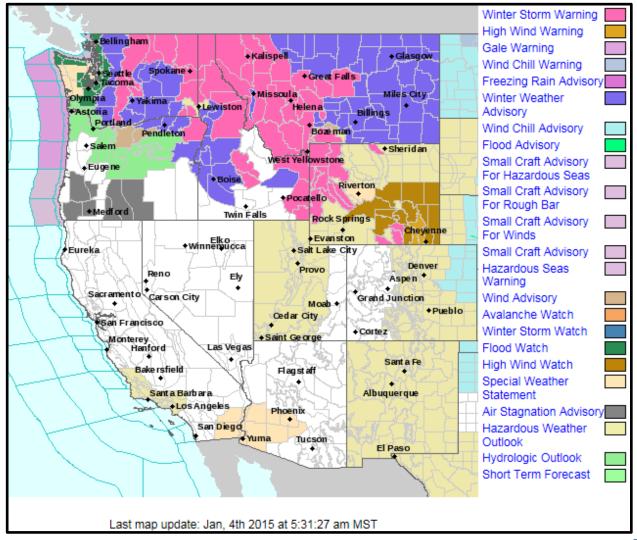
Building high pressure aloft and offshore flow at the surface will bring a warming trend through Wednesday. The latter half of next week will be cooling as winds turn back onshore and a weak trough pass by the north.

Southeast California Weather:

Strong high pressure building from the west will bring mainly dry conditions and a warming trend to the Desert Southwest by the next several days. Above average temperatures are expected by Monday and will continue through the remainder of the week.



STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Boles Incident Vegetation Fire- City of Weed, Siskiyou County

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- On 10/06/14, the Governor issued Executive Order (EO) B-27-14, which provides CDAA, and debris removal assistance, including the suspension of rules and regulations impacting debris removal. The EO also provides the ability for nonprofit organizations to seek reimbursement for extraordinary activities through the State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program. As of 12/05/14, all debris removal operations are complete.
- On 10/28/14, the City of Weed reestablished water pressure to its downtown area; however, the water storage capacity for fire suppression is still lacking. The City expects water storage to be restored by 12/31/14, or sooner if the weather permits.

Individual Assistance

- On 10/01/14, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved a disaster declaration making SBA assistance available in the primary County of Siskiyou and the contiguous counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Modoc, Shasta, and Trinity, making low-interest federal disaster loans available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations whose property was damaged or destroyed by the Boles Fire. The application deadline for property damage was 12/01/14. The deadline to return economic injury applications is 07/01/15.
- The Cal OES VAL continues to coordinate and participate in Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG) meetings with NGO, Faith Based, and local agencies. Shasta Community Foundation was identified as a fiscal agent for the group. Individuals needing assistance should be directed to the Family & Community Resource Center of Weed located at 260 Main Street, Weed. Funding organizations will assist with unmet needs through the case management process. The VAL continues to work with the Weed LTRG in identifying resources and gaps in services.
- The College of the Siskiyou's website contains a Fire Resource List of various local agencies offering goods and services. The
 document can be found at http://www.siskiyous.edu/humanresources/documents/fireresourcelist.pdf. Additional information on
 recovery efforts can be found at https://weed.recovers.org/.



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano
 counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interested physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also
 made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and
 Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 10 have withdrawn for a total of 53 RPAs submitted to FEMA.
- Kickoff Meeting: 53 Kickoff Meetings have been completed of which 3 applicants have withdrawn; one kickoff meeting is scheduled for the first week of January leaving 2 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/7/2015.
- PW: 215 PWs are anticipated to be written as a result of the Napa Earthquake. Currently, 75 PWs are drafted, 48 PWs have been entered into the federal database system, 45 of which have been obligated.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa County regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The Napa Earthquake Recovery Group, aka, eNERGy will be holding a general meeting on December 18, 2014.
- Cal OES IA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) continues NGO coordination in Solano County. The Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG), a long term recovery group, has formed and has established by-laws and elected an Executive Board. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will provide case management training to local organizations in Napa and Solano counties.
- The registration deadline for individuals and businesses to request FEMA and SBA assistance closed on Monday, 12/29/14.
- Assistance Centers The SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) in Vallejo closed at the end of the business day on Tuesday, 12/23/14. The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff as well as reduced FEMA staffing. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed 01/01/15).

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

On 12/22/14, Governor Brown declared a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. At this time, Cal OES Regions and Recovery continue to work closely with all impacted operational areas to assess the impacts, losses, and costs of the December Winter Storm.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- IDE field validations have been completed in Tehama and San Mateo Counties.
- IDE field validations are being performed in Sonoma County.
- IDE field validations are scheduled as follows:

Marin County 01/06/15 Lake County 01/06/15

Individual Assistance

- On behalf of the Governor, the Cal OES Director requested SBA to declare San Mateo County a disaster area.
- A Local Assistance Center (LAC) will be established for residents and business owners to apply for assistance at the South San Francisco Parking Structure located at 329 Miller Avenue, SSF. If SBA declares, it will operate a Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) at the LAC location and will continue as needed. LAC hours of operation are Monday, 01/05/15, and Tuesday, 01/06/15, 9 a.m. 6 p.m.
- On 12/29/14, a joint damage assessment was conducted by SBA, Cal OES, and the County Tehama as a result of the December Winter Storms. As a result of the assessment, a letter requesting SBA to declare Tehama County a disaster area was prepared.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.